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| Application   | •  |                                 | Filed November 26                |                                |  |
|   | For PACKET-SWITCHED NETWORK AND NETWORK SWITCHES HAVING A NETWORK LAYER FORWARDING ACTION PERFORMED BY DATA LINK SWITCHING |                                 |                                  |                                |  |
| Art Unit  | 2609   |                                 | Examiner Keton S.                | Soni                           |  |
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| Applic  | ant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.  | .27.                            |                                  |                                |  |
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